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REMARKS**Rejection of Claims 1-5, 7-10, 12-15, 18 and 19**

Claims 1-5, 7-10, 12-15, 18 and 19 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obvious-type double patenting as being unpatentable over Claims 1-5 of U.S. Patent No. 6,193,778 or over Claims 1-5 of U.S. Patent No. 6,540,809.


Terminal Disclaimers executed by Peter W. Walcott of Mykrolis Corporation are being concurrently filed herewith, obviating the rejections. Withdrawal and reconsideration of the rejections are respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

In view of the Terminal Disclaimers filed concurrently herewith, it is believed that all claims are in condition for allowance, and it is respectfully requested that the application be passed to issue. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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